

History

The History major is designed to provide the student with a broad, general knowledge of the political, social and cultural history of a variety of geographic regions and time periods. Each student takes a well-rounded selection of courses in the history of America and other areas of the world. Included in this curriculum is HIS4835 History Seminar, a course whose purpose is to teach basic historical research and writing skills. The program functions as a terminal major or as preparation for graduate study, leading to career opportunities in historical research, law, the service professions, business, government, or the ministry.

What Type of Work are Related to this Degree?

- Public Policy or community affairs
- City management
- Program administration
- Research
- Intelligence or Foreign Service
- Campaign management
- Staff administration
- Special interest advocacy
- Lobbying
- Administration and management
- Fund raising or fund development
- Grant writing or research
- Archivist or museum work
- Interpreter/tour guide/naturalist

Who Employs People with this Degree?

- Federal, state, local governments
- Non-profit organizations
- Political campaigns and candidates
- Public and private schools
- Research and service institutions
- Major corporations
- Law firms
- Colleges, universities, libraries
- Public advocacy groups
- National & state parks
- International business firms
- Historic, cultural, genealogical groups

More information at [ONETonline.org](https://www.onetonline.org)

General Strategies for Success:

- A major in history provides a broad, liberal arts education. Develop a career goal, and then obtain the skills, experiences, and education necessary to enter that field.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills are imperative for most careers related to history, politics, or government.
- Prepare to develop a specialty area including both academic training and work experience for history related careers. Develop patience, persistence, and drive to obtain history related jobs.
- Gain experience in fundraising and grant writing techniques. Nonprofit and educational organizations are often funded in this manner.
- Learn to articulate the transferrable skills that history majors often possess in writing, speaking, research, and problem solving. These skills are applicable to many careers, even if they are not "related" to history.

Professional Associations

American Studies Association
 Center for History and New Media
 Minnesota Genealogical Society
 National Women's History Project
 Society for Preservation of Natural History Collections
 The History Cooperative
 American Historical Association
 Organization of American Historians
 National Council for History Education
 American Association for State and Local History
 American Association of Museums Society for American Archaeology
 American Anthropological Association